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Teri LaBove

Board of Directors' Minutes
Meeting Held October 11, 2021

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Call to Order:

The October 11, 2021 meeting was called to order at 4:32 pm.

Those present were: Greg Frank, Martha McAllister, Alan Trippel, Phyllis Baltz, Deborah Christian, Annie Dethardt, Noel Stewart and Teri LaBove. Also present were Gene LaBove and Tom Martick. Ken Frankenberger was absent.

Approved:

- September 13, 2021 Board Minutes

Old Business:

- The General Membership Meeting will be held, Monday, October 25, 2021 at 10 am at the Balboa Pavilion. All VCC members are encouraged to attend. Coffee will be provided beginning at 9:30 am. The agenda is in the addendum.
- 69 members have renewed and/or joined the VCC in 2021. The membership drive information will be provided at the General Membership Meeting and sent out via MailChimp.
- As a part of the VCC's Zero Tolerance Policy, the job description for Club Recorder (see addendum) passed unanimously. Greg is searching for someone to fill this position.
- Few people have volunteered to work on the 2022 Spring Fling Tournament. No one has offered to chair the tournament. Annie will manage publicity. Greg will search for several volunteers.

New Business:

- The use of robots in virtual games will begin on November 1st. The role of the robot is to fill out a table and/or act as a substitute when someone gets disconnected.
- Beginning November 1, 2021, the Wednesday afternoon 0-300 Face-to-Face game will be changed to 0-400. The Friday afternoon Face-to-Face open and 0-750 games will be changed to a BBO virtual club game. The Monday 0-750 and both Saturday BBO virtual club games will be cancelled.
- The board rejected the proposed LR/HS/HSV pooling schedule. The board's recommendations will be sent to LR/HS.
- The nominating committee has prepared a slate of officers for 2022. Information will be e-mailed to all members.
- Directors are asked to remind Face-to-Face players to turn off their cell phones before the game begins.

Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 6:12 pm.

Addendum

Agenda for Oct. 25, 2021 General Membership Meeting

- Opening and Greeting: Greg Frank
- Financial review: Alan Trippel
- Game schedule going forward: Ken Frankenburger
- Membership Drive: Noel Stewart
- Comments by Club Operations Manager: Gene Labove
- Voting (if any) on changes to ByLaws or Constitution: Greg Frank
- Nominees for 2022 Board election: Peggy Ross
- General discussion topics:
 - COVID update, impact on VCC
 - Financial projections
 - Relations with POA and rent obligations

Club Reporter Job Description

Serve as Club Operations Manager in Zero Tolerance process when Club Operations Manager must be recused from process.



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Call to Order:

The October 25, 2021 meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by Greg Frank, president. There were approximately 30 members present.

- **Welcome – Greg.**
The VCC immunization policy for Face-to-Face (F2F) play is still in effect. F2F club attendance is down about 60% since the onset of Covid. Once the policy can be removed, we anticipate more attendance.
Greg explained the rental process which went from \$3150/month to our now paying \$1/person/F2F play. He shared that the POA considers us a valued organization. In turn, we strive to be good tenants.
Greg is seeking volunteers to assist with the Spring Fling Tournament to be held March 2022.
Three teams from HSV are participating in the Unit 161 Extended Game on October 30, 2021 in Little Rock.
Greg encouraged all to view the VCC website for information.
- **Finances – Alan.** Alan noted 4 key numbers.
\$32,400 – the amount of money the VCC has in the bank (including 4 certificates of deposit and cash)
[\$2900] – the revenue loss in first nine months of 2021.
\$3.00 – typical fee to play bridge. Alan noted that there has been no raise in over 3 years and that of the top 50 bridge clubs in the US, this is one of the lowest fees.
\$1.60 – virtual club game gross margin after paying director fees, fees to ACBL/BBO.
- **Membership – Noel.** The 2022 Membership Drive has begun. She had three points: a) If a member renewed or joined during 4th quarter 2020 or during 2021, they do not owe for 2022. b) Do not leave cash for your fee anywhere since we do not have sole use of the facility. c) Inform Noel of any change of address/email/phone, and so forth.
In response to questions from those present: Membership fees are \$5 for new members and \$10 to renew. Most new members come through the VCC Easy Bridge classes. A suggestions was made to advertise on Facebook and Neighborhood. Noel prefers you contact her if in doubt as to whether you have renewed.
- **Program Updates – Greg.** The Friday F2F game is being canceled. A new Inter-Club (HS, LR and HSV) Schedule for Virtual Game play begins on Nov. 1st. Saturday games are canceled due to lack of participation.

- Ginna DeThomas announced the slate of officers for 2022. If the slate runs unopposed, the elections committee will not have an election. This slate of officers for 2022 is: President: Greg Frank, Vice-president: Martha McAllister, Treasurer: Pam Harris, Secretary: Leslie Pfeiffer, Logistics Director: Annie Dethardt, Program Director: Alan Trippel. Completing their 2nd year of a two year term are: Member Services Director: Noel Stewart and Player Development Director: Teri LaBove.
- Greg noted that robots will be used when a virtual game needs a substitute or a half table to be filled. Robots do not earn points.
- A member asked about the immunization policy. To date, there is no change. There will not be a requirement for boosters.
- Pinochle has not resumed play due to lack of a leader.

Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 10:33 am.